## Chinmaya Mission Sacramento – Bala Vihar Tamil Class

# நம் தமிழ்

Class	# of	SYLLABUS
	years	
Class-1	1	Book 1: Tamil Alphabets, Days of the weeks, Tamil months, body parts, fruit names, animal names, bird names, flower names, rhymes, stories, fun games and reading log.
Class-2	2	Book 2: "Uyir" + "Mei" letters, practices, 3 & 4 letter words, small sentences, fun games, homework, reading log.
Class-3	1	Tamil Nadu Textbook Grade-2, exercises, homework, Reading short stories, reading log.
Class-4	1	Tamil Nadu Textbook Grade-3, exercises, homework, Reading short stories, reading log.
Class-5	1	Tamil Nadu Textbook Grade-4, exercises, homework, Reading short stories, reading log.
Class-6	1	Tamil Nadu Textbook Grade-5, exercises, homework, Reading short stories, reading log.
Class-7	2	Advanced Classroom: 25 Grammar Lessons, vocabulary, comprehension, reading moral stories, field trips.
Bridge Class	3-5 months	Most Balavihar students start Tamil Classes at the age of 6 or 7. At times, students join Tamil Class new at older ages. Balavihar Tamil Class warmly welcomes them. This Class is designed for those students to cover previous level syllabus in a crash course format. This helps the student remain motivated to continue learning the world's oldest classical language. Also, it allows students to rejoin their peers at respective classes.
Volunteering Opportunity		Upon successful completion of Class-7, students get an opportunity to do the volunteering.

#### **Teacher's responsibilities:**

- 1. To create fun-filled class environment motivating the students to learn.
- 2. To create yearly schedule to follow the syllabus and provide individualized instructions to adapt the curriculum.
- 3. To use variety of instruction strategies/materials to encourage student's interest in the language.
- 4. To translate chapters in textbook into learning experience to best utilize the available time for instruction.
- 5. To review and evaluate each student progress periodically.
- 6. To communicate with parents effectively on student's progress.
- 7. To keep confidentiality of each students progress and academic growth. Student's performance should not be discussed in public forums or email groups.
- 8. To identify each student needs and communicate with their parent only.
- 9. To take all necessary and reasonable precautions to protect students, equipment, materials, and facilities inside the classroom.
- 10. To communicate with parents to ensure regular attendance.

#### **Student's responsibilities:**

- 1. To attend every Balavihar Tamil Class. Absenteeism should be communicated to class teacher one day in advance. Teachers expect at least 90 % attendance.
- 2. To finish incomplete or missed class work in the following week class.
- 3. To bring sharpened pencils, erasers, textbook and notebook to every class.
- 4. To display respect and take care of school/classroom materials and furniture.
- 5. To finish homework and class assignments.
- 6. To listen attentively in class and focus on the lessons.

### Parent's responsibilities:

- 1. To ensure regular attendance of their children.
- 2. To communicate absenteeism one day in advance.
- 3. To check updates from the class teacher.
- 4. To review their children's homework every week.
- 5. To adhere class teacher's comments and instructions.
- 6. To give teachers suggestions to enhance language learning.
- 7. To read Tamil book/short stories with their children, preferably 10 minutes a day. (Teachers will help those children whose parents cannot read Tamil).

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